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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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On or about October 13, 1947, following a discussion with the Assistant Director for Operations relative to the transmittal to [redacted] field stations of weekly "Targets" in the clear, the Chief, [redacted] conferred with [redacted] and [redacted] relative to setting up a procedure whereby these "Targets" could be transmitted as classified matter over Communications Branch facilities.

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As a result of this discussion, [redacted] and [redacted] agreed to set up some procedure whereby the transmittal of these "Targets" could be handled as classified matter, but stated that it would be necessary for their recommendations in this case to be approved by the Assistant Director for Special Operations prior to the actual implementation of their plan. The Chief, [redacted] expressed to [redacted] and [redacted] the desire of the Assistant Director for Operations to implement such a plan with the least practicable delay, since it was his feeling that the consolidation of all of these "Targets" into one list gave a rather complete picture of what the United States Government intelligence agencies are interested in from week to week.

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On November 10, 1947, the Chief, [redacted] was informed by [redacted] that this entire matter had been referred to the Deputy Director, CIA, who had replied that it was the desire of the Office of the Director to continue transmitting these "Targets" in the clear as at present until the return on or about December 1, 1947 of both the Assistant Director for Operations and the Assistant Director for Special Operations, at which time they could mutually work out the satisfactory solution to the problem.

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